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The results are in... and da Minna is... BRETT ANDERSON! Nice try, Chris. Better luck next time. We sincerely thank all the CUG members who participated in our little democratic efforts, and CUSA, who supplied a ballot box suitable for hiding a medium-sized corpse.

-----+ | Programmer Off Duty? | +-----+

Once again, we would like to congratulate the Centre on their diligent efforts to aid students in distress. We refer, of course, to their excellent and underrated P.O.D. service.

However, we have noticed a certain reluctance on the part of this semester's PODs to deal with the deluge of hapless students seeking assistance with their mangled programs. In fact, a sign has materialized on the door of H-908 stating something to the effect of "Please wait until I'm ready, then knock and enter." Since Concordia does not offer courses in telepathy, this has the net result of discouraging those in need of help. The unpaid night-time PODs, in general, do not seem to resort to this practice. In all fairness, the corridor is quite noisy, and perhaps

distracting. Everyone else seems to be able to cope with it, however. We'd also like to point out that a problem, and its attendant solution, may be common to several students, so that allowing only one person in the room at a time may indeed be counter-productive.

-----+ | Open Meeting | +-----+

The Centre has declared another open meeting for Wednesday, November 18, at 3:00 P.M., in room H-1070. As some of you may recall, there were several open meetings last year. Some were more successful than others, but all proved very interesting.

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- To Rene and his BUG NEWS squadron WHO CARES!!?

- To Phillip Authier, editor of The Link: We didn't mean anything by our seminar on "FIX EDITOR". Just another bit of jargon, honest...

- The Centre has installed four new terminals in H-906, the room next to the POD office. These terminals will share the Cluster room's multiplexer. Not surprisingly, the new terminals are NOT Lanparscope XT-50s (they're

Televideo 910s). This goes to show that even university departments are capable of learning from their mistakes and our problems. The new terminals are also capable of emulating several other popular terminals, such as the Lear-Siegler ADM-3A. Possibly the Centre is looking ahead towards implementing a common screen-oriented editor.

- For those of you who were asleep when we published our first

Issue this year, we would like to remind you that we maintain a procedure file on our account (CCUSC51). To play with some of these procedures, you must first enter BATCH mode (by typing BATCH, naturally). Then type DEFPROC,,CCUSC51. The two commas are important. Finally, try -HELP and stand back. One of our exciting procedures is -MESSAGE. You might want to try that one as well.

Seminar Schedule for November

This month's seminar special is "Introduction to SPSS". During this time of year QM student's are processing their SPSS assignments. In the interest of getting these students to complete their assignments quickly and efficiently (and also to prevent the system crashes due to SPSS overload) we present these SPSS seminars. Because of the possibility of rooms moving due to large seminar crowds please drop off a note to CUG (H-983) or at the Loyola Computer Centre informing us of your intent to attend. This will make planning easier for us. Thanks.

Topic	Date	Time	Campus	Room
SPSS (Intro)	Fri November 6	2:00	SGW	H-333-6
SPSS (Intro)	Wed November 11	3:00	Loyola	RF-322
Text Processing (FORMAL)	Tue November 17	3:00	SGW	H-333-6
Editor (FIX)	Thu November 19	2:30	SGW	H-333-6